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PRICE TEN CENTS

Lack Of Cooperation May Stop Street Acceptance

The Selectmen, Monday night, began the task of "laying-out" the streets which it is proposed to accept this year, in the Annual Town Meeting. Each street, before it is accepted, must first be laid out which means that the Selectmen approve of the plan of the street, and of other arrangements.

The task of "laying-out" came to a dead stop, when it was learned that quite a few of the abutting landowners had not signed the necessary releases. These releases are necessary in order that the town have a street that is 40-feet wide, and consists of legal forms, allowing the town to take enough land to make that particular width.

Circumstances, on the different streets varied. It was understood that in the case of Garden Avenue, several of the banks which owned mortgages on land abutting the street were hesitant about signing. In other instances, such as Faulkner Road and Roman Way, there was understood to be some difficulty because certain lots of land obstructed the proposed street.

Supt. of Streets, James White, who was present, warned that no street would be accepted unless all the requested releases were signed and delivered to him shortly. He had set a date of February 24th for a deadline, he told the Selectmen.

V.F.W. TO HONOR WILMINGTON ROTARY CLUB AT MILITARY BALL SATURDAY

The Seventh Annual Military Ball of the Nee Ellsworth Post 2458, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in the High School Cafeteria, Saturday evening, will feature the presentation of a Citation to the Wilmington Rotary Club, for Outstanding Community Service.

Commander William Simmons, of the Nee Ellsworth Post will make the presentation to Adrian Durkee, President of the Wilmington Rotary Club.

Always the highlight of the early spring social season, the ball will also be the occasion for the presentation of new National Colors to the Post, by the ladies of the Post Auxiliary.

The Committee in charge is Thomas Lafionatis, Chairman; John Madagan, Fred Kleyman, John Vadaikas, Joseph McManus, Joseph Lynch, and Commander William Simmons.

Tickets are available from any of the above, and also at George's.

NO SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

The schools of Wilmington will be closed all of next week, for vacation.

NEW CITIZEN

Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Stewart announce the birth of a son, Harry T. Stewart 3rd, at the New England Sanatorium, in Stoneham, February 6th.

TOWN HALL OPEN TUESDAY NIGHT

Because Monday is a holiday, the Town Hall will not be open that evening, but will be open Tuesday evening, for transaction of business with the Town Officers.

STRIKES POLE ON SHAWSHEEN AVE.

A Mercury Sedan, operated by Franklin E. Nimis of Ashdown St. Reading, was damaged when it struck a light pole on Shawsheen Ave., at 1:10 a.m. Feb. 13th. The driver reported to the police that he had been blinded by the lights of another car.

BILLY CALNAN PARTICIPATES IN SEA RESCUE

George W. Calnan of 199 Glen Road, at present serving with the Navy aboard the transport Gen. H. C. Muir, was one of the crew members to participate in the sea rescue, in the Mediterranean, last Monday, as reported in the Metropolitan papers.

The Muir rescued 107 passengers and crew members from the crippled Italian liner Tripolitania, before it was abandoned, during a heavy storm, 230 miles southeast of Sicily.

The Tripolitania, which was enroute to Naples from Somaliland, developed a leak on Sunday, and sent out an SOS. It sank Monday, shortly after the rescue operations.

BOY SCOUT TROOP COMMITTEE NAMES ROSA CHAIRMAN

The Troop Committee of Troop 57, Boy Scouts has named Michael Rosa, Sr., of Kendall Street, to be chairman of the committee. The committee, which met in Rosa's home, elected at the same time, Warren Willis, Sr. to be treasurer, Irving Buck, (Advancement) and Elijah Lyman and Anthony Borghetti in charge of camping.

TRAINING COURSE FOR BOY SCOUT LEADERS

A training course, for Boy Scout Leaders, from Assistant Patrol Leader up, is to be held at Camp Ted, Waltham. The course begins Friday afternoon, March 13th and ends Saturday, March 14th about 3 p.m. Supper, Friday evening, is to be at six o'clock.

Registrations, for the course must be sent in to the Lowell Council Office no later than February 20th. Plans are underway for providing transportation for Wilmington Scout Leaders.

NORTH WILMINGTON MAN ROBBED OF \$600

Joseph Babbitt, 29, of 5 Truman Road, North Wilmington was robbed of \$600 by two masked bandits, in South Boston, yesterday. Babbitt, who is a collector for an Automatic Sales Company, told the police that he did not see the faces of the men who robbed him.

This is the second time that Babbitt has been robbed, in this manner. He was the victim of a holdup about a year ago, involving about \$900.

THEFT REPORTED ON HILLSIDE WAY

Mrs. LeClair, of Hillside Way reported to the police, on February 14th that five gallons of oil, left on her door step, had been stolen during the previous night.

WALKER SCHOOL WHIST

A whist party, in the High School Cafeteria, on Feb. 24th, will be sponsored by the Walker School Mother's Club. Some very nice prizes are to be awarded. The play starts at 8 p.m.

Following the whist refreshments will be served. The proceeds of the party will go towards the fund for the general improvement of the playground.

FORD SNAPS LIGHT POLE

A Ford Sedan, driven by Margaret E. Keith of Linden Street, Reading, snapped a light pole, near Carta's Diner, on Main Street, at about 7:40 a.m. Feb. 12th, during the snow storm. The car was towed to Gildart's.

Miss Keith was shaken up, and suffered bruises about the face.

COLLISION ON MAIN STREET

A collision, at 11:45 a.m. Feb. 12th involved a Mercury Sedan driven by Robert Chazarian of Hosmer Street, Watertown, and a Chevrolet driven by Joseph Nord of Middlesex Village, New York. Both cars were damaged. The accident was near 474 Main Street.

HAP VINECOUR TO SPEAK TO CONGREGATIONAL COUPLES CLUB

Harold (Hap) Vinecour, well known business man and leader in Jewish circles of Tewksbury is to be the speaker at the Congregational Couples Club meeting, to be held on Feb. 22nd, at 8 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

THREE BREAKDOWNS IN SCHOOL HEATING PLANT QUICKLY REPAIRED

The heating systems of 3 different schools in Wilmington chose last week-end to breakdown, in various ways. They were quickly repaired by the Maintenance Department, without loss of any school time.

The three schools involved were the Portable school, at Silver Lake, the West School, and the High School.

In the Portable School, the lining in the firebox of the boiler gave way, and collapsed. It was rebuilt by Maintenance man Anton Thiel, who crawled into the tiny, still warm boiler and applied a new lining.

In the High School, a steam line let go, and was just as quickly repaired.

COUNTY COMMANDERS TESTIMONIAL

Middlesex County Council, the American Legion will hold a testimonial reception and dinner in honor of its County Commander, Robert F. Murphy of Medford in Winchester Town Hall on Saturday, April 11 from 6 p.m. until midnight. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. preceded by a social hour starting at six o'clock. Dancing will follow the dinner.

Dress for the evening is optional but the committee hopes that as many as can will wear the full uniform of the American Legion. Tickets for the affair may be obtained from the members of the committee or from any local Post of the organization or by addressing Frederick W. Gray, 6 Page Place, Woburn, Mass.

Officers of the committee are Patrick T. Foley of Winchester, Chairman; C. Norman Noonan of Winchester, Treasurer and George K. Walker (of Watertown, Adjutant of the County, secretary. Localities on the committee include Bernard P. McMahon, Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington; Arthur Harper, Commander of Wilmington Post.

SKID OFF ROAD

A Chevrolet, operated by Darrell Ashdown of Woodside Ave. skidded off Lowell Street, at 8:15 p.m. Feb. 12th, and knocked down two fence posts, near the north end of Lowell Street.

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GUEST EDITORIAL

THE BOY SCOUTS AND FOSTER BALSER

Boy Scout Week has come and gone. In our police station we have had a couple of young fellows who were "Boy Scout Chiefs of Police." We are always happy to have them.

As in other towns and cities, we occasionally have our troubles with juveniles. Some of these troubles are merely incidental. Once in a while we find a juvenile that is deliberately asking for trouble.

We can say, in all seriousness, that never have we had a Boy Scout get into any trouble that was of a deliberate type. The Boy Scouts of Wilmington are a credit to their uniform.

The man we can thank for this fine attitude on the part of our Boy Scouts is Foster Balser, at present Commissioner of Wilmington Boy Scouts.

"I don't know how many years Mr. Balser has spent in the Boy Scout movement. I don't know how many unpaid hours he has devoted to the task he has chosen.

I do know that the Wilmington Boy Scouts, and the Town of Wilmington owes a lot to this man. It is he who has made Scouting what it is in Wilmington. Working at times almost single-handed, he has built up the movement in Wilmington so that today over 150 boys look to his organization for guidance.

As Chief of Police, I am happy that I can thank Mr. Balser, publicly, for his untiring efforts in behalf of the youth of our town.

Paul Lynch

CHESTNUTS IN THE FIRE

A couple of years ago, journalistically, this town was in a predicament. There were two papers that purported to cover the town, and between them they had so incensed members of the various town committees that journalists were "persona non grata."

The Board of Selectmen and the School Committee had both voted to allow no one at their meetings. From a viewpoint of personal relations we cannot blame them too much, although such things are one of the penalties of political life.

A year ago last summer the Crusader set out to remedy matters. The other paper, which purported to cover the town, and which had plenty of money to spend on legal and other advice sat on its haunches and did nothing.

The key, of course, was: First Complete, accurate and fair reporting of the news, and Second, a knowledge of what the boards could do and could not do.

The School Committee, by law, must admit any person to their meetings, providing that person does not disturb the peace. We started attending their meetings, and were greeted with open arms, to use a figure of speech. Some months later the out of town paper woke up to the facts, and began to cover the meetings sporadically. At other times they lifted items out of our paper.

For some months now, we have been covering the Selectmen's meetings. We believe that we have fairly and accurately reported on these meetings, which is our only purpose.

Now the out of town paper has sent its reporter to cover the Selectmen's meetings.

To this out of town paper we say: "Welcome. Are there any more chestnuts you want pulled from the fire?"

PAY FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES

Under the Town Charter, there is one person, and one person only, who sets the pay scale for town employees, and that is the Town Manager. If he chooses to increase or decrease the pay of any employee, he can do so. On his shoulders will fall the credit, or the blame, as the case may be.

The Board of Selectmen, and the Finance Committee do have a chance to express their opinions, especially the Finance Committee, but this is an opinion only. Even if the Town votes a particular scale, the Town Manager is not duty bound to observe it. It may or may not be smart for him to observe the town vote, but, he doesn't have to, if he so chooses.

Some time ago we commented on the fact that it seems that the pay increases are going to the persons who earn over \$3,000, and that those under the \$3,000 scale are getting none.

Since then, we understand, one particular department head has had his pay increased to \$3,000, so that he earns at least as much as the people under his control.

There are others who have had no increase allocated, and we refer to some of the employees in the Town Hall.

The Town Manager, of course, is within his rights. He apparently believes that \$2,500 is enough for these persons, even though they hold important town offices, and similar offices in adjoining towns pay about \$3,100.

We can't see it. If these persons are merely clerks, they should be hired as clerks, and not as Town Officials. We think that they are doing as good a job as can be done under the circumstances. We think they deserve more consideration.

We think these employees are being penalized, unfairly.

NOTES ON THE TOWN WARRANT

As is printed elsewhere in this issue, the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting contains 35 Articles. We shall comment on a few of them.

Article 5. This is the "Temporary Cost of Living Increase," which in effect will allow many of the employees of the town a bonus, probably 6 per cent on a temporary basis. It is understood that, as things stand at the present time, this bonus is not to go to department heads. In at least one case, a hardship will apparently be the result. The head of one department was given a raise, and then lose his 6 percent increase, so that his effective pay will be less than it was for last year.

Article 6. A usual article, to take care of any unpaid bills. So far as is known now, there are no unpaid bills of previous years. Something might pop up, however, before the Town Meeting.

Article 8. The Public Auction of Town owned land article. There has been no public auction for some time. The town now owns considerable real estate, some of which it could get rid of profitably.

Article 9. Representative Town Meeting Article. Proposed by Edwin J. Twomey and others. Mr. Twomey is evidently mindful of the fact that the town has no proper place to hold a town meeting, if all citizens who care to exercise their privilege and attend. He is now proposing that "Representatives" be elected, to hold the Town Meetings. Many towns have this type of government, with anywhere from 100 to 400 "Representatives" and possibly more.

Article 10. School Building Committee article. To appoint a committee to see about adding to the new High School is the primary purpose.

Article 11 through 16. Changes in the Zoning Laws. These articles have drawn some comment from citizens, particularly Article 15, which proposes to make some land adjacent to Billerica and Burlington into a heavy industrial district. The people in that area aren't too happy about it.

Article 22. The Housing Project. There doesn't seem to be much enthusiasm, according to reports, for this article.

Article 24. Addressograph Article. The TM wants to buy a machine to do a lot of the clerical work in the Town Office. It is reported that the cost of the machine is \$6000 or better.

Article 29. Acceptance of Streets. The name of Bratt's Street, in this article, crept in by error. It has already been accepted, we understand. These are the streets that the TM wants the Town to accept, this year. Olson Road is to be a street going in by the Fire Station, (after the new one has been built) and leading up to in back of the Post Office.

Article 30. Acceptance of Streets. All of these streets are in the "Hathaway Acres" development, and have been prepared by the developer. The acceptance is not supposed to cost the town anything.

Article 33. Water Main Extensions. Again for \$30,000, by vote of the Water Main Extension Committee. This is the last year of the committee.

Article 34. Purchase of Water Meters. Petition of Minot J. Anderson and others. A considerable savings can be made, in purchase price, if water meters are bought by the thousand. As things now stand, we have more houses built every year than we have water meters for. The TM is reportedly not in favor of this article, as representing too much of an outlay at one time.

Article 35. Traveling expenses for prominent Wilmington athletes. Petition of Irving Appleby and others. We are sympathetic with Mr. Appleby's idea, but we do not believe that this article will answer the purpose that he has in mind. As we understand it, under Chapter 71, the School Committees are already empowered to do what this article wants, except the travel is limited to Massachusetts and adjacent states. Mr. Appleby is concerned, we believe, with the fact that prominent Wilmington athletes do not get proper accommodations when competing in out of state events. These athletes represent amateur clubs, and as such the School Committee is unable to allocate the money, if our understanding of the problem is correct: i.e. it must be for High School, or other School Teams that the money is allocated.

TOWN NOTES

WEATHER

Probably a typical week in February, with about four inches of snow, all of which disappeared in the heavy rainstorm (TM Snowstorm) last Sunday. We haven't the figures on how much rain fell, but there was plenty, with high winds that knocked down a few branches from trees.

There was snow on the 8th, 11th and 12th. In figures of rainfall, there was .10 inches on the 8th, .04 on the 11th and .29 on the 12th.

LOST COLLIE

Ernest Shea, of Ballardvale Street has a beautiful black collie, apparently about 2 years old, with white markings, which he is holding for its owner to reclaim.

FIRST CAR IN WILMINGTON We were asked the other day as to who owned the first automobile in Wilmington. We didn't know the answer. Can anyone help us?

BIRD RESTAURANT

We noticed the other day that the Harold Trainor home, on Harris Street, in the Federal Gardens has become a bird restaurant extraordinary. No less than six feeding stations, for our feathered friends!

THE RIGHT WAY TO RUN A GRAVEL PIT

At the corner of Salem Street and

Woburn Street, a gravel pit was opened up, several years ago, by Herbert Thrush, of Salem Street. Thrush sold gravel from a long hill. Technically an esker, the remains of a glacial river.

During the last week Thrush has had the first part of the pit leveled off, and the original loam has been bulldozed back into place.

It now presents a nice appearance, better than it was before. We suspect Thrush will be selling the land for house lots.

RETIREMENT RUMOR

We have learned that one of the prominent officials of this town is seriously contemplating retiring from the political scene, after the annual Town Meeting.

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In a glass bowl, on the counter of Altman's Market, is a very small fish, which comes originally, we understand, from the Amazon river. It is a "Bettes", and was presented by Benny Harrison, who has quite an aquarium, in his home on Church Street.

This fish is quite pugnacious and will glower at its image in an extremely interesting (to we poor humans) manner when a mirror is held close to the bowl.

At other times this fish takes it out on the other occupant of the bowl, and inoffensive snail. He darts in to the attack, but the snail merely crawls into his shell, and pays no attention.

WHY ONE STREET IS NOT TO BE ACCEPTED

A certain street, in Hathaway Acres, is not included in the list published in Article 30, for acceptance by the town, at Town Meeting. The Superintendent of Streets considers the ditch, at the end of the street, to be a menace for plowing, in the winter time, and so reported to the Town Manager.

GLEN CONNOLLY IN ARMY

Glen Connolly, of Edwards Road, honor graduate of Wilmington High School, and operator of a radio repair business, has reported to Camp Devens, for duty with the US Army. He will shortly be sent to Fort Dix, for basic training.

FUNERAL OF ELLEN FOLEY

Miss Ellen Foley, formerly of Wilmington, was buried in Wildwood Cemetery on February 12th, with full military honors, provided by Wilmington Post 136, American Legion, and a detachment from the United States Army.

Miss Foley, who was 45 at the time of her death, was born in Wilmington, and was a graduate of Wilmington High School. During World War II she served, as a sergeant, in the WAC, and was later employed as a clerk-typist, in the Federal Civil Service bureau, in Los Angeles, California. She died, on Feb. 6th, in the Veterans Administration Hospital in that City.

A High Mass Requiem was held in St. Anthony's Church, by the Rev. Albert J. Shea, at 10:00 a.m. Feb. 12th. Committal prayers, at the grave were by the Rev. Shea and Rev. John Regan.

Pall bearers were George A. Foley, Paul A. Morrice, James A. White and John R. Foye.

Honorary Pall Bearers were Marguerite Harper, Alice Lee, Mildred Tautges, Viola McMahon, Katherine Downing, Sadie Thiel and Mary White, of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Colors were borne by Commander Arthur J. Harper, and Louis I. Elfman, of American Legion Post 136. The colors were afterwards presented to Miss Nellie Foley, by Commander Harper.

A detachment from Fort Devens, consisting of a firing squad and bugler, paid military honor.

Miss Foley is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Bertha Connolly of Malden, Mrs. Grace Foy of Wilmington, and Miss Nellie Foley of Wilmington and two brothers, George and Lawrence Foley of Wilmington.

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Off to one of the best starts in the long history of the Salvation Army Friendly Appeal in Wilmington, both business and residential leaders are unanimous in reporting that untiring efforts by volunteer solicitors has resulted in the campaign living up to its motto of "more people giving".

"Let's Keep It Up" was a new slogan today as leaders urged workers to maintain their starting momentum in a united effort to insure the "over-the-top" success and reputation of the Friendly Appeal "for human needs."

According to Mrs. Francis E. Merrill, 364 Chestnut St., who is serving as residential chairman of the Friendly Appeal, "People are responding as never before to this Appeal not only because The Salvation Army is beloved by all people in all walks of life, but because the people of Wilmington realize that this is indeed a 'Friendly' Appeal. With the cost of living reaching new highs, the people have an extra feeling in their hearts for an organization, which, without planning any curtailment of services to the needy, ask more people to give rather than people to give more. Therefore, virtually everyone seems to be willing to make some contribution to this Friendly Appeal."

She closed her statement to workers with the suggestion "just give the people a chance to give" to The Salvation Army by reaching as many individuals as possible. If every worker "SEES THE PEOPLE" Wilmington will be sure of going "over-the-top".

Facts to remember, according to Mrs. Albert E. Kitchener, general chairman, are:

1. The Wilmington Friendly Appeal asks you to give what YOU feel you can afford; no more; this is a NO PRESSURE - no repeat solicitation friendly appeal!

2. The Friendly Appeal is truly "of Wilmington by Wilmington and for Wilmington because one dollar of every five contributed in Wilmington will remain in the Wilmington Service Fund exclusively for local needs;

3. The Wilmington Service Fund Committee is composed of LOCAL citizens who know local conditions and needs best of all;

4. Therefore YOUR Service Fund can provide aid for the needy of all ages, and races, color and creeds ON-THE-SPOT; WITHOUT ANY OVERHEAD; WITHOUT RED TAPE; and WITHOUT DELAY.

5. Children, Veterans and Servicemen are always among the biggest beneficiaries of the Wilmington Service Fund;

6. The Salvation Army Service Fund is your "good neighbor in action".

7. Your "good neighbors" are conducting this campaign exclusively. There will be No Solicitors Wearing Salvation Army Uniforms At Any Time During The Friendly Appeal And Anyone In Uniform Who Calls Upon You Will Definitely Not be a representative of the Salvation Army. For their protection as well as that of The Salvation Army, Contributors are Requested To Ask For A Receipt If They Have Not Already Been Given One.

WHITEFIELD CLUB PRESENTS VARIETY PROGRAM-FEB. 27th

A film variety program for the entire family is to be held Friday, February 27th, at the American Legion Hall at 8 o'clock. The Whitefield Mothers' Club is sponsoring the program and the proceeds are for purchasing playground equipment. All parents who have children attending the Whitefield school are urged to support this event. Home made pie a la mode and coffee are included in the 75 cent donation.

Tickets are available from Mesdames Larz Neilson, Ken Lyons, George Webster, Allick Epstein, James Moore, Arthur Allgrove, Ralph Jackman or C. W. Helwig.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MOVES REFRIGERATOR

The Wilmington Fire Department responded to a call from Mrs. Margaret McDonald of Hobson Avenue, at 3:35 p.m. February 12th. A refrigerator was leaking gas. The Fire Laddies obliged Mrs. Mac-

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Donald by moving the refrigerator onto the porch, where the gas could do no harm.

JOHN INGALLS ON WAY HOME

Sgt. John Ingalls, US Army, stationed in Great Britain is on his way home, and expects to arrive at his Grove Avenue home about the 1st of March.

COTTAGE STREET MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED

In the Selectmen's meeting, Monday night, it was pointed out to the Selectmen that it may be difficult, if not impossible, to get a full 40 foot width on Cottage Street, in the Silver Lake district, one of the streets proposed to be accepted in this year's Annual Warrant.

The difficulty lay in the fact that the end of the street closest to Main Street has houses so close to the street that the proper width might be impossible to achieve. Further study will be made.

MELZAR COMMENTS ON JUNK YARD

Selectman Melzar, at the Monday night meeting of the Board of, Selectmen spoke about the conditions at a part of a business firm, on Eames Street, as he had observed it from the trains.

This firm, according to Melzar's understanding, had promised that they would clean up an accumulation of junk about six months ago. Melzar commented that nothing seemed to have been done.

STATE DPW ALLOCATES \$9300 FOR CHAPTER 81

The State Department of Public Works has notified the Town of Wilmington that \$9300 will be allocated to this town for 1953, for work under Chapter 81, pertaining to certain secondary roads, with regards to snow removal and road maintenance.

In their letter, the DPW stated that Wilmington now has 62 miles of public highways, exclusive of "State" highways.

STATE DPU HEARING ON RAILROAD RATES MARCH 3rd

The State Department of Public Utilities will hold a public hearing, in their hearing room, in the State House, at 10 a.m. on March 3, 1953, relative to the proposal of making the present temporary increase in Boston and Maine Railroad fares a permanent increase.

The temporary increase was granted the railroad on April 14, 1952.

TELEVISION NEWS



BY JACK MOORE

Dear Jack,
I claim airplanes overhead, have an adverse effect on the picture screen, such as flickering, etc. My friend says differently. He claims all this flickering and noise is due to automobiles and trucks. Can you please tell us who is right,
S.D.M.
Tewksbury,

Dear S. D. M.,
You are right in saying that airplanes do cause flutter in TV pictures, providing of course the proper conditions prevail. To explain, let us consider the effects of a building or any solid object on the TV wave. The TV wave is of a high enough frequency that it is said to be quasi-optical in character, which means that when a TV signal hits a solid object, it will be reflected off into another direction at the same angle at which it strikes. Now if your antenna is in the path of the reflected wave, it will be influenced in one of two ways. 1. If the reflected path is long, there will be two pictures on your screen (one for the direct wave and one for the reflected wave). 2. If the reflected path is short, then the effect will

be to either add to or subtract from your direct signal. Whether it adds or subtracts is dependent upon the exact distance the reflected wave travels before arriving at your antenna. A TV signal causes a voltage at the antenna to go positive and negative so many times per second depending upon the frequency of the channel. If the positive portion of the reflected wave arrives at the instant the positive portions of the direct wave arrive, then the signal adds which makes your picture stronger. However, if the negative portions of the reflected wave arrive at the instant the positive portions of the direct wave, then it tends to cancel or subtract from the picture, making it weaker. Now, if the reflecting object is an airplane in motion, rather than a building that is not in motion-then you can see that at one instant, the 2 waves will add, and at the next instant as the plane moves, they will subtract. This adding and subtracting as the plane keeps moving, causes your picture to become strong and weak alternately. The repetition depends upon the speed of the plane.

Jack

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To:
 Harry J. Ainsworth, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:
 Greetings:—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the

HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
 Monday, the 2nd day of March,
 A. D. 1953

at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 10:00 A.M. and shall be closed at 8:00 P.M., for the election of Town Offices:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot respectively for the following named Offices, to wit: Two Selectmen for the term of three years; two Members of the School Committee for the term of three years; one Moderator for the term of one year; one Member of the Wilmington Housing Authority for the term of five years.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington who are qualified to vote on elections and town affairs therein, to assemble subsequently and meet in Town Meeting at the J. W. Greer Co. office building, Main Street, in said Town of Wilmington.

on
 Monday, the 9th Day of March, A. D., 1953
 at eight o'clock, P.M.

then and there to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to ratify and confirm all actions, votes and proceedings taken or done at the Special Town Meeting held October 30, 1952, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

ARTICLE 4. To see how much money the Town will appropriate for the expenses of the Town and salaries of the several Town Offices and Departments and determine how the same shall be raised, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended by the Town Manager for temporary cost of living increases in the compensation of all Town Officers and Employees, other than School Department Employees, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Departmental Unpaid Bills of previous years. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1953, and to issue notes therefore payable within one year, all in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at Public Auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure and to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of the vote and determine how said sale shall be advertised and conducted, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to study and report at a subsequent Town Meeting the question of the adoption of a Representative Form of Town Meeting Government; or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Edwin J. Twomey and others.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any available funds, and appropriate, any sum of money for the expenses of a committee to investigate and report at a subsequent Town Meeting, but not later than the next Annual Town Meeting upon the subject of additional school accommodations, and determine the number of members of such committee and how the same shall be appointed, or do anything in relation thereto. Submitted jointly by the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded by a line drawn at a distance of 500 feet westerly of and parallel to West Street extending from the Wilmington—Reading Town line to a point 700 feet south of Suncrest Avenue; then westerly to Woburn Street along a straight line parallel to and 700 feet southerly of Suncrest Avenue; then southerly along Woburn Street to the Wilmington—Woburn Town line; then easterly along the Wilmington Town line to the point of beginning, so that same shall be in a heavy industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded by a line drawn at a distance of 500 feet westerly of and parallel to Main Street extending from the Wilmington—Woburn Town line to its intersection with a line established by extending the nearest 500 feet of Eames Street westerly in a straight line; then westerly along this established line to a point 700 feet east of Chestnut Street; then southerly and parallel to Chestnut Street to the Wilmington—Woburn Town line; then easterly along the Wilmington Town line to the point of beginning, so that same shall be in a heavy industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land, comprising a portion of the location of the former Salem and Lowell Branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad between Andover and Ballardvale Streets, and the land adjacent thereto and extending to a depth of 600 feet on each side of said location, bounded northwesterly by a line drawn parallel to and at a distance of 500 feet southeasterly from Ballardvale Street, and bounded southeasterly by a line drawn parallel to and at a distance of 700 feet northwesterly from Andover Street, so that same shall be in a heavy industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded on the south by Maple Meadow Brook; on the east by Lubber Brook; on the north by Concord Street; and on the west by the Boston and Maine Railroad (Portland Division), so that same shall be in a light industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded by a line drawn at a distance of 200 feet westerly of and parallel to Forest Street extending from Randolph Road to a point 200 feet southerly from Aldrich Road; then westerly and parallel to Aldrich Road to the Wilmington—Billerica Town line; then southeasterly along the Wilmington Town line to Randolph Road; then easterly along Randolph Road to the point of beginning, so that same shall be in a light industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land immediately east of and parallel to the Boston and Maine Railroad (Lawrence Branch) between Glen Road on the south and Lubber Brook on the north, now described on the Zoning Plan as partly light industrial district and partly General residence district, so that same shall be in a single residence district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.) or some other amount, the money to be expended under the direction of the 4-H Town Committee, serving in co-operation with the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 General Laws of Massachusetts or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Barbara Nims and others.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a Committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.) for the purpose of renewing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended the lease of the American Legion Clubhouse in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Post 136 of the American Legion, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Arthur B. Harper and others.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.) for the purpose of renewing under Authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, the lease of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Clubhouse on Main Street in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of William S. Simmons and others.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.) under authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Wilmington will be one of 17,000 communities in the United States which on Friday of this week will celebrate the World Day of Prayer, in which the women of 144 countries of the world will participate. The observance in Wilmington will be held at the Congregational Church at 8 o'clock in the evening, the women from the Methodist churches of Wilmington and South Tewksbury and the Forest St. Church and Congregational Church in Wilmington meeting together for this event.

Following the showing of a film-strip entitled "World Day of Prayer Around the World", Mrs. Stanley Cummings, Mrs. Otis Maxfield, Mrs. Mary Bousfield and Mrs. Jack Tuell, representing the participating churches, will lead the group in the service of worship which has been prepared this year for the women of the world by African women. A choir consisting of women from the choirs of the four churches will lead in the singing, under the direction of Mrs. Talbot Emery, organist and choir director of the Congregational Church. Women from the four churches will take part in the service and act as ushers.

The offering will go to the projects sponsored by the General Department of United Church Women, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. They are: American Indians, Low Income Farm Communities and Migrants in the Division of Home Missions, and in the Division of Foreign Missions, Christian literature and literacy material for women and children in foreign lands, Service by the Committee on Friendly Relations among Foreign Students, and Education of Christian leaders in interdenominational Christian colleges in the east.

Beginning at midnight Thursday night and lasting until midnight Friday, a continuous prayer vigil will be carried on by the women of these Wilmington area churches. The churches will be open all day Friday for prayer and meditation, but the vigil will continue uninterruptedly for the twenty-four hours, some carrying it on at home, some at church.

Next Sunday morning a special World Day of Prayer service for children will be used for the worship service in the various church schools.

The Wilmington committee in charge of the World Day of Prayer observance is a permanent committee consisting of Mrs. Stanley Cummings chairman, Mrs. Gaius Harmon, Mrs. Walter Bennett, Otis Maxfield, Mrs. Minot Anderson, Mrs. Arriel Wood, Mrs. Ernest Littlewood, Mrs. William J. Mann, Mrs. Marry Bousfield, Mrs. Jack Tuell, Mrs. Robert Renfrew, and Mrs. Ralph Peters.



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READING MUNICIPAL LIGHT COMPTROLLER SPEAKS AT ROTARY LUNCHEON

Ralph Babcock, Comptroller of the Reading Municipal Light Department was the speaker of the day, at the weekly luncheon of the Wilmington Rotary Club, on Feb. 11th. He was introduced by the Rev. Stanley Cummings, who remarked that it was appropriate that a speaker from the light company appear on Edison's birthday.

Babcock described the beginnings of the Reading Electric Light. It was founded as the result of a

Town Meeting of 1894, when the town voted for streetlights. These first lights were the old carbon arc type, and Babcock recalled watching the service men going around in horse and buggy, changing the carbons. The discarded carbons were great prizes for schoolboys, who used them as one would use chalk today.

A plant for the generation of the electricity was established at the same time, and it wasn't long before there were inquiries about the possibility of home lighting, as a result of which the Reading Municipal Light Department began to service homes.

Babcock recalled watching Tom Eames, father of the present Chief of the Reading Department, wire the houses in which Babcock was living. Tom was an electrician and wired many of the earlier installations in Reading. Tom used the old knob and tube type of wiring — there were no nails through the BX in those days.

The first 20 years of the Reading Electric Light was a problem period, with deficits, borrowing, and personnel and management problems always before the directors.

In 1909 Arthur Gerry Sias became the manager of the plant. This was the turning of the tide. The Reading Electric Light began to expand into nearby towns—North Reading, Lynnfield and Wilmington. The company was not organized on a profit basis, but rather on a municipal basis, to operate as near as possible to cost, and still keep going. Electricity at that time cost about 15 cents a kilowatt hour, as compared to the average of 3 cents today.

In the present capital investment of the Reading Electric Light, about 25% is in Wilmington, 50 per cent in Reading and 25% in the other two towns. 35% of the streets serviced are in Wilmington, 32% of the wire mileage, and 37% of the wire mileage in Reading, with the rest in other towns. 25% of the meters of the Reading Electric light are in Wilmington against 48% in Reading.

Babcock cited these figures to show the portion of the investment that has to be maintained in Wilmington. He also cited the strange affinity between automobiles and poles at 2 o'clock in the morning. These automobiles always seemed to pick key poles, said Babcock, one that had a transformer on which a lot of circuits depended. It was these poles that would get knocked down, and for which the linemen were routed out. Rarely did these linemen take more than two hours to get the service back into operation.

The demands on light service are stringent and must be foreseen by the Light Department. Babcock cited the need for power, in industry. He complimented the Town of Wilmington and its Town Manager, for getting the right kind of industry in Wilmington.

The demands of television are a peculiar problem to light companies. Our peak load comes at six o'clock in the evening, and this is when the TVs are on, in most houses Babcock stated, in perhaps a fac-

tious tone, that some power station operators could be a better judge of the popularity of certain programs than the persons who judge these for the stations. He expressed the idea that the light company would not object to having popular programs at 2 o'clock in the morning, when the call for power was light.

These new industries, and such things as television complicate our setup. We have to be able to see ahead and judge what our peak loads are going to be.

We buy energy. It could be of interest to you that this power bill is divided into three parts, wherein we have a charge for the energy, in the form of Kilowatt Hours, at a certain price the fluctuating prices in the coal market affect us, because there is a coal charge involved in the computation of the bill, and when it comes to establishing the high KW demand, for which we are charged we pay on a basis of the highest demand for the year.

It may be understood why we have to look ahead and like to more evenly distribute the load if this is possible.

In servicing and operating our plant, we find that 25% of our customers are in Wilmington, against 48% in Reading. We have, in Wilmington an average of 33% customers per mile of streets, against 70 in Reading. The average Kilowatt hour sold per customer in Wilmington is 2200 against 3500 in Reading, with a revenue per customer of approximately \$85 in Wilmington, as against over \$100 in Reading.

With a gross revenue of only 22% in Wilmington against 52% in Reading, you can readily see the volume of business, which is only 19% in Wilmington compared with 57% in Reading, is directly affected. These facts directly affect the return on our investment, which is only half of what a private corporation would expect.

In pricing our product, which is the sale of KW Hours, or service, we have a residence service in which we have a block plan, where the first 50 KW hours are priced at 7.8 cents. This is for the lighting of a small home. A home with electric stoves and such runs into the second block, of 150 hours at 3.4 cents. After 200 hours in the same month, the price drops to 1.7 cents.

These costs, if the bill is paid promptly, drops 10 percent, so that the average bill in Wilmington is \$5.86 net for 127 hours a month, or an average of 4.6 cents net for a KW hour.

The largest bills, of about 300 KW hours, shows \$9.63 for the net monthly bill at an average rate 3.2 cents. 600 Hours gives us an average of 2.3 cents per KW hour.

The only difference in the Wilmington rate and the Reading rate is in the first two blocks, which averages 60 cents.

In 1950 we had a survey in Read-

ing, of electrical appliances. We had 3800 customers, of which 74% were contacted and evaluated. Our figures show that 44% of this group had electric ranges, 93% had refrigerators, 12% water heaters, 21% washing machines, automatic like the Bendix, 61% oil burners, and of the heating systems, 21% had circulators, of either air or hot water. We had 202% radios and 33% had TV, of which 55% were used on our peak, which was at 5:45 p.m. During the hours of 8 to 10 p.m. 98% of the Television sets were in use.

Babcock finished his talk by comparing modern days with the old time days. He cited the times of Band Concerts in the park, and outings on electric street cars, and compared it to the diversified activities of today, in which we rarely get to know our neighbor.

The neighbor who you don't know so well could be your electric light company. My purpose in coming here is say that we could know each other better.

This municipal operation is the functioning of local self government by an interested citizenry, united in a common purpose for their mutual benefit.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR LITTLE LEAGUE

An organizational meeting, to form a Little League, in Wilmington, on last Thursday night, voted in Meyer Weinberg, as Temporary Chairman.

Ollie Gallant, President of the Woburn Little League was present. Mr. Gallant spent some time explaining the rules and functions of the organization.

Among the persons present were Karl Powers, representing the DAV, Bill Simmons, VFW, Cliff Good, and Larry Cushing, Wilmington Schools, and Dean Cushing, Town of Wilmington.

The Town will cooperate, Dean Cushing stated. A playing field will be provided, and material, for improvement of the field.

It was the consensus of opinion that there were over 250 boys, between the ages of 8 and 12, inclusive, who were eligible to play Little League Baseball in Wilmington.

Paul Lynch Chief of Police announced that the ambulance room of the Police Station would be available for the next meeting, which is to be held at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20th.

Weinberg temporary chairman, has issued an appeal to all persons in Wilmington who would be interested to attend this meeting. Workers are needed in many capacities, such as Managers, Umpires, Coaches. A four team league, such as would be here in Wilmington, said Weinberg, should have about 35 men to serve in various capacities. My appointment as temporary chairman will be purely temporary. The permanent officials will be elected at a future meeting.

ENGAGEMENT OF BEATRICE BOYD

Mr. and Mrs. Allen J. Boyd, Concord Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Beatrice Boyd to Charles H. White, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. White of Glen Road. Her fiancée is stationed with the United States Air Force in Germany. No date has been set for the wedding.

PUBLIC HEARING BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

There is to be a public hearing, by the Finance Committee, Friday, in the High School Cafeteria, during which the several articles in the Town Warrant will be discussed.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Case No. 16742 Misc. LAND COURT

In Equity To Luigi Ortolani, Sheila Dorothy Ortolani, of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth; St. Johns Hospital, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth; and to all whom it may concern:

Middlesex County National Bank, a duly existing corporation, having an usual place of business in Everett, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property in said Wilmington, situate on Grove Avenue, given by Luigi Ortolani and Sheila Dorothy Ortolani to Middlesex County National Bank, by instrument dated November 23, 1946, recorded with the Middlesex County North District Registry of Deeds, Book 1058, Page 321, has filed with said court a bill in equity for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the fourth day of March 1953, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, JOHN E. FENTON, Esquire, Judge of said Court this twenty-first day of January 1953.

SYBIL H. HOLMES, Recorder.

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BUSINESS MEETING FOR AMERICAN LEGION THURSDAY FEBRUARY 17

Post 136, of the American Legion is to have a business meeting in the Legion Clubhouse on February 17th. A number of important items are to be discussed, and Commander Harper has expressed the hope that all members who can attend plan to do so.

D. A. V. NEWS

The need for and immediate adjustment in disabled veteran's disability compensation awards by the government was shown in a nationwide study made by the Disabled Veterans which reveals that a large majority are unable to save any money and more than a third are behind in meeting current living expenses.

Leon J. Daszuta, Adjutant of the Wm. F. Tattersall Chapter 106, Wilmington, Mass., said the receipt today from DAV National Headquarters in Cincinnati of results of the nationwide study made by DAV Chapter officials discloses:

1. 76 per cent of the disabled veterans questioned are employed.
2. Of those employed and drawing disability compensation, 84 per cent are unable to save any money.
3. Thirty-three per cent are approximately \$34.00 a month behind in their current living expenses.

Tabulation of questionnaires returned shows that 27 per cent have been hospitalized recently. In response to the question, "How Frequently Are You In Need of Hospitalization," 24 percent, replied "often"; 23 percent, once a year; 30 percent, occasionally; and 23 percent, rarely. About 8 percent said they were awaiting admission to a Veterans Administration hospital.

Those in the study who are employed are approximately 35 per cent disabled, while the unemployed have approximated 70 per cent disability rating.

Seven per cent of the disabled veterans interviewed were amputees.

"The recent DAV study," remarked Karl Powers, Service Officer of the DAV CHAPTER 106, Wilmington, Mass., "shows that disabled veterans are in need of a cost of living raise in their disability compensation. The percentage of disabled veterans awaiting admission to Veterans hospitals clearly indicates we are facing a critical hospital situation."

The DAV Chapter 106 Service Officer also wishes to remind those that the Chapter Service Office is open every 1st Wed. and 4th Thur. of the month, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Town Hall. This service is FREE to all veterans, their Widows, and their dependents. Chapter 106, Disabled

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WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL ALMOST WINS

In a game at Chelmsford High School, on January 30th, the Chelmsford team received a jolt, from Wilmington's near-the-bottom-of-the-league hoopsters. Chelmsford started their game with their second team, apparently expecting an easy victory, but they soon received notice that their expectations were only day dreams, when Buzzy Busineau and Al MacMullin began to take the ball away, and score points. The quarter ended 16 to 15, in Chelmsford's favor.

The second quarter saw Chelmsford sending in its first team, and looking for blood. The score at this time was 22 to 21, with Wilmington ahead. By the end of the second quarter, Chelmsford again led, 31 to 22.

By the time the third quarter rolled around Al MacMullin began to achieve a life long dream, that of scoring shots from the center court. At every opportunity Al let a ball fly from center, and each time he scored. The Chelmsford center, Gallagher, retaliated by doing the same thing for his team, in what became a duel between the two men.

The fourth quarter saw all the fans on their feet, cheering wildly, as the score teetered, first in favor of one team, and then of the other. It wound up in an exciting last minute finish, as Chelmsford rallied to score seven points. The final score was 58 to 51.

Girls lose 48 to 26
Wilmington Girl's team dropped another game, 48 to 26. Improvement was noted in the local ladies, and hope is still held out that one of these days they will come home on the top side of the game.

HEART FUND CAMPAIGN FOR EVERYONE

The Heart Fund Campaign, now being conducted in Wilmington by the Heart Fund Committee provides money for research into the causes of Heart Disease, which last year was the cause of 760,000 deaths in the United States.

Joseph Sottile of Forest Street, Chairman of the Committee, in a statement last weekend pointed out that this fund was started by doctors and research scientists, in 1946, who were engaged in the fight against heart disease.

These men realized that the fight against heart disease was not theirs alone, but one of the general public as well. The public must become partners in the fight to stamp out the disease that kills and disables more Americans than the next five highest causes of death combined.

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TROOP 57 BOY SCOUTS TO HAVE 3-DAY HIKE

Troop 57, Boy Scouts is planning a three day hike to Camp 40-Acres, beginning on Friday, February 20th., after the dance. The three day hike is to give the boys a chance to qualify for the Camping Merit Badge. Scout Dads are being alerted to provide transportation home, on Monday, after work.

WILLIAM LASCELLES SPENDING LEAVE AT HOME

William Lascelles, RM3, US Navy, of 15 Nassau Avenue, regularly attached to the Sixth Fleet is home, visiting his folks, on an eight day leave. Lascelles has just returned from six months European duty, during which he participated in Operations Main Brace, and Long Step.

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SCOUTS HAVING SQUARE DANCE

The Girl Scouts of Wilmington are having a Square Dance in the gymnasium of the Junior High School, Friday night. All Boy Scouts have been invited to attend. Duq Briggs, of Burlington, famous Square Dance "Caller" will be in charge.

From 7 to 8 p.m. the Brownies will have their dance period, after which the Girl Scouts will take over. Refreshments are to be served.

A speaker will be present, about 8 p.m. to talk to both Girl and Boy Scouts about the Indians who once lived in Wilmington.

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READERS' FORUM

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Sir:

I would like to commend you publicly for giving Wilmington one of the newest among that minority of the nation's weekly newspapers whose editors are editors first - advertising salesmen and printing business promoters second.

Further commendations are in order for your recent editorial about educational television, and your story about the Inaugural broadcast as picked up by the Wilmington schools. These commendations pertain to the body of my remarks, which I hope you will also publish for the public interest.

The Christian Science Monitor is a compressed newspaper of relatively few pages, published for the entire world. Yet its coverage of non-commercial television, particularly in Massachusetts, has been frequent, accurate, editorially favorable and many times more space consuming than that of our larger and more local Metropolitan dailies.

The Monitor has long recognized the question of TV ownership as fundamental. It has no other axe to grind. The Monitor, however, is not so in Wilmington; and few of our people regularly buy it elsewhere.

Radio stations, so far as I can discover, maintain a resounding silence on the subject.

The Herald-Traveler has said little more, its policy lending credibility to the unverifiable report that its owners want the money and power represented by Channel 2 for their own purpose, that they would rather not wake us up to our stake in it, even by opposition, until the deadline expires.

The Globe follows the Monitor belatedly, weakly, and by spasms. My reading of the Post is infrequent, but I have never seen a Post story or editorial about educational television, or had one mentioned to me.

Twice within ten days, the Record American has editorialized against state application for Channel 2 in paragraphs that, to my mind, only gross ignorance of the subject, or a hidden purpose, could have written.

In common with several other residents of Wilmington, I have ample

evidence to refute the worst misstatements of the two editorials. (Most of this information is available upon request from the Joint Committee on Educational Television, 1785 Mass. Ave. NW, Washington 6, DC. The Joint Committee is composed of one member each from the American Council on Education, the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities, the Association for Education by Radio and Television, the National Association of Educational Broadcasters, The National Association of State Universities, the National Association of Chief State School Officers and the National Educational Association of the United States.)

1 The Records state that Channel 2 broadcasts will not reach Western Massachusetts, and asks why people west of Worcester should have to pay for it. (Both prospective applicants for Channel 2 realize that at least two other stations would be required to serve the state. A primary purpose of the engineering surveys for which Senator Phillips' committee wants \$100,000 would be to "find" unassigned channels in Western Massachusetts, or determine the needs for non-reserved channels there, to make the service statewide.)

2 The Record says it would cost the state \$8,000,000 for construction alone. (This is far in excess of any proposal I have seen, including those for statewide networks in large states. Each of Connecticut's 3 stations, applied for last October, will cost an estimated \$248,540 and they will be able to originate enough programs to broadcast 72 hours a week. Each of New York's 10 stations will cost an estimated \$251,000. Washington DC Plans a \$271,794 station, equipped for heavy origination and filming in order to, in effect, make the Library of Congress, Smithsonian Institution, and such, as well as our national government in operation, available to television viewers in their homes all over the country. The much larger state of Minnesota plans "a \$5,000,000 network", operating and other expenses included, number of stations not specified. Kansas State College's \$362,624 for construction and another \$332,800 for programming indicates the conservatism of the eastern budgets as does the University of Houston's \$600,000 for construction, \$150,000 annual operation. You can spend any amount.

On the other hand, Los Angeles' station will cost only \$150,000 because U.S.C. already had fully equipped studios for regular instructional purposes. Various factors reduce the outlay in many other states.)

3. The Record says educational TV would be "too expensive".

(Even at their own ridiculous figures, a service that already provides Michigan people with a 15 week university credit course in physics, taught by the department head, for \$2.00, with no transportation expenses, is no spendthrift thing. Or consider what Massachusetts would save in an election year, if candidates for major state office minimized their travel and were all summoned before the non-commercial TV cameras instead of paying big money to commercial stations for the time!)

4. The Record describes non-commercial, educational use of Channel 2 as an "experiment".

(Nothing yet proposed for Channel 2 differs from what has already been done successfully in other states. Iowa State College, Michigan State and the University of Michigan, The Philadelphia public schools, Syracuse and Ohio State, the Houston School District, and many others have done the experimenting for us. We have their experience to go by; and their material is precise to the point of advising on the color of shirts to be worn before a camera, or the exact dimensions of lettering and card exhibits for a lecture. Our townsmen are now obtaining some of the reports beyond that supplied by the Joint Committee. So could the Record.)

5. The Record says the "consensus" of opinion by now is that educational broadcasting over channel 2 would be a sheer waste of the people's money.

(If they believe that one, why

do they bother with an editorial? Whom did they poll to discover any such consensus? Not the teachers, I'm sure. However, due to failure of most newspapers and radio stations to inform the public, hardly any of us are prepared to hold any opinion in this matter.)

6. The Record asks what right a state has to "enter the television business, or any other business, in competition with private enterprise"

(License to operate over Channel 2 as a non-commercial broadcaster would, of course, keep the state out of "business". The Record's question is like asking what right the state has to support the University of Massachusetts, except that whereas there is a real competition of a sort between the university and other colleges, the aims of non-commercial broadcasting are generally different from those possible to commercial broadcasters.)

To summarize:- Only one of the area's major newspapers and radio stations gives adequate coverage to a subject of great public significance. Some of the little mention our people may find in their papers is simply false.

Perhaps the very failure of Boston area broadcasters to do justice to an urgent public question, but illuminates the meaning of today's struggle for control of the sources of so much of our information, - perhaps it flashes its own warning that it can be dangerous as well as shortsighted to allow full control of television, in Massachusetts, to commercial interests.

There is no "New York Times of Radio", nor a "Christian Science Monitor of Television". Commercial radio and TV have yet to produce their John Peter Zenger, their Thomas Paine, - even a Hodding Carter or a William Allen White. There is no indication that they ever will - less than ever now that a recent merger puts Hollywood money behind a television network.

But this failure also highlights the value and potential vitality of hundreds of independent community newspapers, above and beyond their ability to devote space to happenings of purely local interest.

In this instance, I urge you to undertake a weekly recapitulation of Monitor material on educational TV in the Crusader, including today's message from Washington stressing the FCC's importance and evaluating the ABC-Paramount merger, a piece by Roland Sawyer called "American Culture and TV".

By so doing you will provide most Wilmington people with important news, which their ordinary sources don't give them, and ideas which their ordinary sources do not stimulate.

I also hope you will send copies containing this letter, and your subsequent issues, to each Boston newspaper, and radio or TV station. Perhaps alone, certainly with even a few other weekly editors who will do likewise, you can show the "Giants" that they must do justice to their readers, and listeners or forfeit trust, circulation and the hope of influence.

You can teach people the power that still resides in the hometown weekly. You can help them remember to evaluate what they read and hear. You can teach them how much to cherish their "Crusaders".

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The reappointment, made by Governor Herter, was confirmed at this week's meeting of the Executive Council, fol-

lowing which the commission was signed by Secretary Cronin.

The term of the Wilmington Notary Public will expire in 1960.

TEA IN HONOR OF MISS DOUCETTE

A tea, in honor of Miss Lena Doucette, on the occasion of her retirement from the Wilmington schools, was held in the High School cafeteria, at 3 p.m. February 11th. Miss Alice Doucette and Mrs. Emily Surrette, sisters of Miss Doucette, were also guests of honor.

Using silver services provided by Mrs. Catherine McLaughlin and Mrs. Florence Liston, the tea was poured by Mrs. Esther Nichols and Miss Mary Boutelier. Music was provided by Mr. Balgione, who played three selections on an accordion. Miss Doucette was presented with an envelope, by Clifford Good, Superintendent of Schools.

In addition to the members of the Teachers Club, Supt. Emeritus Stephen G. Bean and Mrs. Bean were among those present. The arrangements were in charge of the teachers of the Whitefield School.

ARTHUR GAGNON ON USS ANTIETAM

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ENGAGEMENT OF JACQUELINE LASCELLES

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lascelles of 15 Nassau Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jacqueline M. to John W. Bland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bland, 161 Farham Street, Lawrence.

Mr. Bland is a senior in Suffolk University. Miss Lascelles was educated in the Wilmington schools, and is employed by Rada, of Woburn. No date has been set for the wedding.

SURPRISE PARTY FOR AIR FORCE ENLISTEES

A surprise party followed by dancing and refreshments, at the Silver Lake Betterment Hall, on Friday, February 13th saw all of the class of 1951, Wilmington High School, and many friends and relatives saying goodbye to Everett Nelson Cole, of Church Street, Walter Carpenter of Beacon Street and William Duggan of St. Paul Street.

The three men have recently enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, and will report for duty on February 20th. They are to be sent to Sampson Air Force Base for basic training.

Each of the three men was presented with a purse.

AMERICAN COLLEGE IS OF GREATEST IMPORTANCE TO TURKEY AND WORLD

The American College in Turkey is of greatest importance to Turkey and the world, declared Dr. Floyd H. Black, President of Robert College in Turkey, from the pulpit of the Congregational Church, last Sunday.

He began his talk with the reading of the 13th Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, 44th Verse to 47th Verse, ending with "I have set thee to be a light to the Gentiles, that thou shouldst be for salvation unto the ends of the earth."

Dr. Black described a visit that he had made to the ruins of Antioch, in Psidia, which is now in part of Turkey. He had made this visit to this place, because it was at Antioch that St. Paul had first stated his belief that Christianity was not a religion just for the Jews, but for all the people, of all the world.

The land that is today Turkey played a big part in the development of Christianity, stated Dr. Black. Turkey was dynamic then, he stated. The churches flourished, and the Christian creed was developed as a way of life for all men.

Turkey today, is again a dynamic country, which recognizes that there is always change, and that they as a people must be prepared to meet these changes.

The American Colleges, in Turkey, are an outpost of our civilization of the west against barrier of the atheistic and communistic creed of Russia. Robert college was founded in 1837, by a Congregational missionary who had first gone to Turkey in 1837. It was not a Congregational college, but an American college.

It and other colleges exist there today. They are well attended. There are about 1000 boys and about 600 girls attending Robert College of all races and creeds. About 80% of the pupils are Moslems, and about 95% of them speak Turkish.

In Turkey the separation of education and religion is complete. No religious services of any kind may be held in any school. Dr. Black deplored this, but declared that many of the magnificent religious hymns are learned by the students during Sunday afternoon organ recitals. No words can be sung, but the music can be played, and appreciated by the audience.

The different religious groups get on very well together. He (Dr. Black) has as

his Vice President, a Moslem, who runs his college while he is away, and Dr. Black expressed his complete confidence in this man. About half the teachers are American, quite a few are European, and a large number Turkish. All speak and teach in English. The pupils respect each other, and the backgrounds of the different groups. Dr. Black cited the case of three students from Afghanistan, who were Moslems, and arose with the sun, every morning, to pray. They came to him, and asked if arrangements might be made where they could pray without disturbing the other students, which, said Dr. Black, demonstrates the attitude of all pupils. Arrangements were easily made for the three Afghans.

"The Dollar Curtain" was a phrase that Dr. Black used to express the difficulties of the students. Before the war, students came from all the eastern countries, to attend the American colleges, and now they find it difficult because of the inability to convert their monies into Tur-

kish money. Without dollars, or without the backing of a firm with offices in Turkey, many students were unable to attend these colleges.

Dr. Black described the manner in which many Romanians, Bulgarians, and other peoples are escaping from behind the "Iron Curtain" to attend these colleges. These people risk death, and often meet death, in their efforts to escape the slaveries of Communism, said Dr. Black. He cited the case of two boys who had rowed across the Black Sea, from Romania, to the north coast of Turkey, boys who were now students in the American College. Their tuition was paid for by the college, and their living expenses by a refugee fund.

The American Colleges in Turkey are of the greatest importance, said Dr. Black, as he finished. They are our outpost in this world of freedom!

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TOWN MEETING AT GREER'S OKAYED TO BE HELD ON SUCCESSIVE DAYS

The Town Manager has advised the Board of Selectmen that there is a full agreement on having the Town Meeting in the office building of the J. W. Greer Plant, on Main Street.

The building has been approved, as a meeting place, by John Monahan, Public Safety Inspector, and the Greer firm has agreed to temporarily withhold construction operations, in order to afford proper room for the Town Meeting. Temporary lighting facilities are being erected for the purpose.

The town will have to provide the "Exit" lights, as re-

quired by law, and 750 seats are also to be provided by the town.

In order to cause as little inconvenience as possible to the Greer firm, the Selectmen have decided to continue the meetings on successive nights, i.e. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, etc., until all the articles on the warrant have been acted upon.

In previous years, the meetings have been adjourned with a one week interval between the adjourned meetings.

The meeting, in the J. W. Greer plant starts at 8 p.m. on March 9th.

DECISION HELD OFF ON TAXI LICENSE

Julian Roselli, of 20 Fairfield Road, applied to the Selectmen for a taxi license, on Monday night. The decision was held off until further

Commonwealth of Massachusetts LAND COURT

Case No. 6036-S
(SEAL)

Upon the petition of Joseph Patti and Mary A. Patti, of Medford, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, representing that they are the holders of a deed running from William P. Curtin entered as Document No. 16857, noted on Certificate of Title No. 3298, issued from the Middlesex North Registry District covering land in Wilmington; that said land was sold under the provisions of the Low Value Statute by the Town of Wilmington to William P. Curtin, and the Treasurer's Deed entered as Document No. 15707 and noted on said certificate, and praying that said certificate be cancelled insofar as it relates to the above mentioned documents and a new certificate be issued to them, therefore, it is

ORDERED that notice of this petition be given forthwith to all to whom it may concern and to Agnes Stirling and Henry Stirling, residences unknown, or their heirs, devisees or legal representatives by publishing a copy of this Order once each week for three successive weeks in the Wilmington Crusader, a newspaper published in said Wilmington; and if you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House) on or before the twenty fourth day of February next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree or Orders as the Court may make.

By the Court.

Attest:

Sybil H. Holmes
Recorder

Dated: January 21, 1953
F-4-11-18

study can be made by the Selectmen.

STANDING OF THE HOLY NAME BOWLING LEAGUE FOR THE 19TH WEEK

Team	Won	Lost	Pinf.
Yanks	55	21	29477
Bees	46	30	29192
Atoms	30	46	28556
Eagles	21	55	28482
Individual High Single			
A. MacMullin			138
Individual High Triple			
A. MacMullin			349
Team High Single			
Yanks			586
Team High Triple			
Yanks			1618
Ten Highest Averages			
A. MacMullin			97.0
J. Cunningham			91.0
J. Good			89.4
P. Leduc			88.7
G. Smith			88.5
J. Dugger			88.2
A. Quandt			88.1
G. Travers			87.7
C. O'Brien			87.3
N. De Felice			87.3

JUNK LICENSE GRANTED

Fred Brown, 9 Verdun Road was granted a license to collect junk, by the Board of Selectmen, on Monday night. Brown's license will stipulate that no junk will be stored in any part of Wilmington.

In a letter to the Selectmen, Brown stated that he intended to collect by appointment only, and that his junk yard would be in Cambridge.

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON

The Finance Committee will hold a Public Hearing on the several Articles included in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting On Friday Feb. 20 at Eight O'Clock P.M. at the High School cafeteria.

Herbert C. Barrows

ARTICLES 11-16 DRAWS IRE OF BLACK AND MELZAR

Selectmen Black and Melzar had a few words to say about the re-zoning articles, in the Town Warrant, at the Selectmen's meeting, Monday night.

Selectman Black opened the discussion by observing that the articles were stated to be "On the request of the Board of Selectmen." He stated that the first that he had known about the articles being in the warrant was when he had read them, after their being posted.

Melzar commented that they had been "discussed" at a previous meeting, but only in the fact that the Town Manager had briefly mentioned his ideas on the subject. There had been no opportunity, he said, for any exchange of opinions.

It was pointed out to Black that he had expressed the thought that the Selectmen should carry part of the burden, at the Town Meeting, because the TM would have enough to do to keep him very busy anyway. Black agreed to this statement, but stated that these articles were actually inserted by the TM, and should not read that they had been inserted by the Board of Selectmen.

Black was extremely dubious about certain of the articles, and thought that the

citizens wouldn't approve of them. "I don't want anything to do with it!" he stated.

FUNERALS MAY PROCEED UP MIDDLESEX AVENUE

Since the change in location of St. Thomas Church, the natural route for a funeral procession, from St. Thomas to Wildwood cemetery would be up Middlesex Avenue, past the Junior High School. This particular section of Middlesex Avenue has been closed during school hours, for some time past, by the Board of Selectmen.

The Selectmen have agreed

the funeral processions may use that particular section of Middlesex Avenue, and will notify the Chief of Police of their decision.

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**MILDRED H. ROGERS
MOTHERS CLUB MEET**

On Monday, February 9, the Mothers' Club of the Mildred H. Rogers School held their February meeting at the Silver Lake Betterment Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Margaret Page, acting president, assisted by Mrs. Clara Crotty, acting secretary-treasurer. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Laffin and Mrs. Hunnefeld. There will be a Cake Sale held at Open House, and all donations will be gratefully accepted by Mrs. Helen Casey, chairman of that committee. Mrs. Van Steensburg, Bauer, Krasinski, Slater, Fidler, Howard and Crotty will assist Mrs. Casey and collect the cakes and conduct the sale. At the same Open House evening in March, Mrs. Margaret Imbimbo will make coffee and serve it to all the teachers and visiting parents. Assisting Mrs. Imbimbo will be Mrs. Hersom, Sidelinker, Fidler and VanSteenberg. Plans are being formulated for a Blitz Party to be held in April. Co-chairmen of this affair are Mrs. Volpe and Mrs. Krasinski. All members of the Mothers' Club will help and participate to make it a success. The mystery prize of the day was won by Mrs. Kasabowski who will bring the mystery prize to the next meeting, which will be held the second Monday of March on March 9. All mothers are cordially invited to attend.

**MARINES PRIOR TO
THE REVOLUTION**

Basically, the U.S. Marines were patterned after the British Royal Marines, organized in 1664. During the war of the Spanish Succession (1701-1714), the British Royal Navy organized an expeditionary force supported by Royal Marines and some Marine regiments raised in the American colonies. This expedition attacked a number of Spanish positions in the Caribbean.

During the next three decades Royal Marines recruited from the colonies participated in actions against Spanish settlements in that area.

At the outbreak of the Revolutionary War, separate American armies and navies were raised by the different states. They functioned for some time more or less in cooperation with each other before the Continental Congress made an attempt to create a unified army and navy.

Most of the states followed the British policy of assigning Marines and Sailors to duty on naval vessels. These Marines antedate the Continental Marines, and their existence was an important factor in the establishment of a Marine organization serving all the colonies.

Watch for the next set of—Facts About Your Marine Corps.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE
AT TUFTS COLLEGE**

Medford, Mass. - Tufts will award 68 Four-Year Scholarships, including three top scholarships of \$4,800 to entering freshmen in 1953, it is announced by the Trustees of Tufts College. Under the revised and expanded program, voted this year, 18 four-year scholarships larger than full tuition, of \$650 will be offered beginning with the academic year 1953-54, while the remaining 50 will be for partial tuition.

Six scholarships of \$3,600, payable at \$900 a year, nine scholarships of \$2,800, payable at \$700 a year, 15 scholarships of \$1,600, payable at \$400 a year, 15 scholarships of \$1,300, payable at \$325 a year, and 20 scholarships of \$600, payable at \$150 a

year, will be available to freshmen entering the School of Liberal Arts, the School of Engineering, and Jackson College, Department at Tufts.

Recipients, chosen on the basis of promise of success in college academic and extracurricular life and upon financial need, will be announced May 1, 1953. The Four-Year Scholarships are intended to assist worthy students and to honor those whose secondary school achievements mark them as potential campus leaders.

To be eligible for consideration a student should submit a special scholarship application before March 1, 1953. Secondary school senior and postgraduates, as well as veterans and others who have never attended a college or junior college, are eligible provided they are recommended by their principal or headmaster. Preference is given to applicants who take a College Board scholastic aptitude test on any testing day prior to February 1.

The awards are continued each semester for four years unless a student's conduct or achievement is deemed unsatisfactory in the judgment of the Scholarship Committee. The holder of an award is expected to live up to the promise of academic and extracurricular success upon which the scholarship is awarded.

Applicants for regular Naval ROTC under the Holloway Plan whereby full tuition and a monthly stipend of \$50 a month are paid by the Navy.

Applications for Four-Year Scholarships may be procured through school guidance office of Wilmington High School or by writing to the Scholarship Committee, Ballou Hall, Tufts College, Medford 55, Mass.

**GIRLS J.V. BASKETBALL
TEAM SHOWS PROMISE**

The fans of the Wilmington High School Girls' Basket-

ball team, saddened by a series of losses in succession, this year, have perked up, as a result of the Junior Varsity team going out and winning its first game, on February 11, at Burlington.

In a well played game, that promises well for the future of Wilmington Girl's team, the J.V.'s beat the Burlington J.V.'s by a score of 47 to 9.

Playing in the game were: Frances Pellerin, CF; Patty Cushing, RF; Sandra Harris, LF; Sally Higginbotham, CG; Sheila Hoban, RG; Georgianina Park, LG; with Violet Fisher and Lucille Cavallaro participating as substitutes.

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WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

(continued from Page 4)

as amended for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Chapter 106 of the Disabled American Veterans, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of James P. Kelly and others.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to empower the Wilmington Housing Authority to erect a new Housing Project in the Town under the provisions of Chapter 550 of the Acts of 1952, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Wilmington Housing Authority.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.) for off-site utilities essential to the construction of any project which may be authorized under the previous Article, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Wilmington Housing Authority.

ARTICLE 24. To see how much money the Town will raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of a so-called Addressograph or similar machine for use in the clerical work of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 25. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of two, two way radios for use by the Police and Tree Departments, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 26. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of two trucks with all necessary equipment for use by the Highway Department, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 27. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of a power grader with all necessary equipment for use by the Highway Department, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 28. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of two sidewalk snow plows, complete with all essential equipment for the Highway Department, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the School Committee.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and approved by the Planning Board: Judith Road, Birchwood Road, Burnap Street, Olmstead Avenue, Pine View Road, Essex Road, Faulkner Avenue, Garden Avenue, Brattle Street, Cottage Street, Roman Way and Olson Road and to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.) for the purpose of putting said streets into passable condition, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and approved by the Planning Board: Hathaway Road to Carson Avenue, Chase Road, Carson Avenue and Truman Road, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to install street lights in the following streets:

Westdale Avenue	1 light	Lloyd Road	1 light
Davis Road	2 lights	Harvard Avenue	2 lights
North Street	4 lights	Morse Avenue	4 lights
Burnap Street	1 light	Glendale Circle	2 lights
Grand Street	2 lights		

or do anything in relation thereto. On petitions of residents of these streets.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, Town Manager and Water Commissioners, on behalf of the Town, to contract with the Town of Tewksbury for the purchase of water from the Tewksbury water system at the price of \$137.50 per million gallons for a term of five years from January 9, 1953, for the supply of certain takers in the vicinity of Nichols Street, other terms of said contract to be at the discretion of the officers executing the same, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Water Commissioners.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.) for the purpose of extending or installing public water mains in the following streets: Shady Lane Drive to Sprucewood Road; Marjorie Road from Main Street for a distance of 1400 feet; Ballardvale Street for a distance of 2350 feet; Salem Street for the purpose of installing a hydrant at or near the corner of Woburn Street; and Woburn Street northerly to Concord Street. Any money remaining to be spent in installing mains in Concord Street easterly from Woburn Street, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Water Main Extension Advisory Committee.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrow outside the debt limit, and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the purchase and installation of meters on individual services in the public water system of the town, the same to be done under the direction of the Water Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Minot J. Anderson and others.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.) to cover travel, hotel and other expenses of any prominent athletes representing Wilmington High School or any other Wilmington School in New England, National, Canadian, International or World Championship athletic contests, the selections of contestants and administration of said funds to be directed by a sub-committee of the Wilmington School Committee, or do

anything in relation thereto. On petition of Irving Appleby and others.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, or a certified copy thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, as soon as may be and before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this 13th Day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Three.

Kenneth M. Lyons
Charles H. Black
Henry J. Lawler
Joseph H. Woods
Frederic P. Melzar
Selectmen of Wilmington

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Daily Mass at 8 o'clock.

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Sunday School after the 8:30 and 8:45 Masses.

Released Time Classes in Religion are held on Mondays and Tuesdays at the last hour in the school day.

Lenten Announcements:

The Masses on Ash Wednesday will be at 7 and 8 o'clock. (It is not a Holy Day of Obligation, but we should make an effort to attend Mass).

Imposition of ashes will take place:

After the Masses;

In the afternoon at 2:15 and 3:15 (after school sessions). At Silver Lake, Betterment Hall, at 3:15. In the evening, after the Lenten Devotions in the Church. Ash Wednesday Evening Devotions at 7:45.

Ash Wednesday is a day of strict abstinence. The use of meat is NOT ALLOWED.

The Stations of The Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 3:15 and 7:45.

Devotions during the rest of the season will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7:45 P.M.

The time during which every Catholic must receive The Holy Eucharist to make the Easter Duty starts next Sunday, and ends on Trinity Sunday.

A number of donations to the Organ Fund have been gratefully received. For your convenience, envelopes for the Organ Fund may be obtained at the rear of the church.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To Margaret DaCorte of Wilmington in said County, and to her husband, heirs apparent or presumptive and to the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

A petition has been presented to said Court alleging that said Margaret DaCorte is an insane person and praying that Manuel DaCorte of Wilmington in said County, or some other suitable person, be appointed her guardian.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the ninth day of March, 1953, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirteenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

John J. Butler, Register. F-18-25-M-4

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WILMINGTON METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Thursday, Feb. 18. The Methodist Men's Club will sponsor a supper and square dance beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are 99c to cover total costs. The Rev. and Mrs. Robert Meikle of West Roxbury lead in the recreational program which will be planned for all ages.

Friday, Feb. 20. A Lenten Women's Study Group will begin a series of meetings at 10:00 a.m. at the church. Each meeting will be followed by a refreshment period. The pastor will lead the meetings. A current religious book will be used as the basis for the discussion and talk at each session. All women of

the community are invited to participate in these sessions which will run throughout the Lenten season.

Sunday, Feb. 22. Church School classes will be held at 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship will be held in the sanctuary at both 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. The pastor will preach on the subject: "Our Belief In Salvation." At 5 p.m. the Jr. Youth Fellowship will meet at the church. At 7:00 p.m. the Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Sy Williams, a student at Boston University school of Theology.

Tuesday, Feb. 24. Members of the Commission on Worship and Evangelism will meet at the church at 8:00 p.m.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE TACTICS UPSETS SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen were somewhat upset as a result of the tactics of the Finance Committee, during the last week, according to the observations they made at Monday night meeting.

It would seem that the Selectmen and the Finance Committee had apparently come to an agreement, concerning certain features, only to have

the Finance Committee reverse its stand, in a later meeting of its own.

Selectman Melzar, commenting on the apparent agreement on the "Temporary Cost of Living Increases" stated that the Chairman of the two committees had each polled their members, and everyone was in agreement, with no dissenting opinions. "Two days later," said Melzar, "the Finance Committee decided that he did not need

the 6 percent increase. This, reverses itself, after having agreed with us!"

Black, commenting on the Highway Department expenses said: "Everybody agrees, the Town Manager and the two Boards,—then later we hear that the Finance Committee wants to cut several thousand dollars. What is the use of the Town Manager trying to make careful estimates if the Finance Committee changes its mind later!"

Another item that drew comment was the fact that the reversal of the Finance Committee's stand, as the Selectmen understood it, would penalize the town employees, with relation to the 6 percent temporary increase in pay. It was pointed out that one of the town's employees was granted a \$300 raise, and then the Finance Committee it was observed, actually penalized the man by giving him a smaller salary than he earned last year.

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PONTIAC COMES OUT SECOND BEST

A Pontiac sedan, driven by Francis J. Hopkins of 15 Mission Street, Lowell, came out second best, when it was involved in a collision with one of the Town's Walter Snow Fighters, during the heavy snow storm, last Thursday. Thomas Sullivan of Dartmouth Street was operating the Snow Fighter.

The accident occurred on Lowell St. There was no damage to the snow Fighter. The Pontiac was towed to Cain's Garage.



THE PICTURE OF SAFETY—This 400-ton G-E Punch Press provides extra safety in addition to the usual controls. An electric eye device is attached that stops the machine if an employee moves into the ray. Here Angelo Vetraccia of Woburn shows how far he must stand from point of operation for the machine to work.

What's "in the works" at G.E.



AWARD OF MERIT for noteworthy safety performance recently was presented by the National Safety Council to the West Lynn Works. Shown with the award are M. Edward Miller of Lynn, General Foreman of Electric Instrument Manufacturing; Edward Barr of Lynn, Supervisor of Employee Services and Walter Longfellow of Saugus, General Foreman of Meter Manufacturing.



SAFE FROM HEAD TO FOOT—That's G-E employee Joseph Julien of Lynn, completely dressed in Company furnished protective equipment as he works at an acid dip tank. Joe's employed in the Lighting and Rectifier Department at the River Works.

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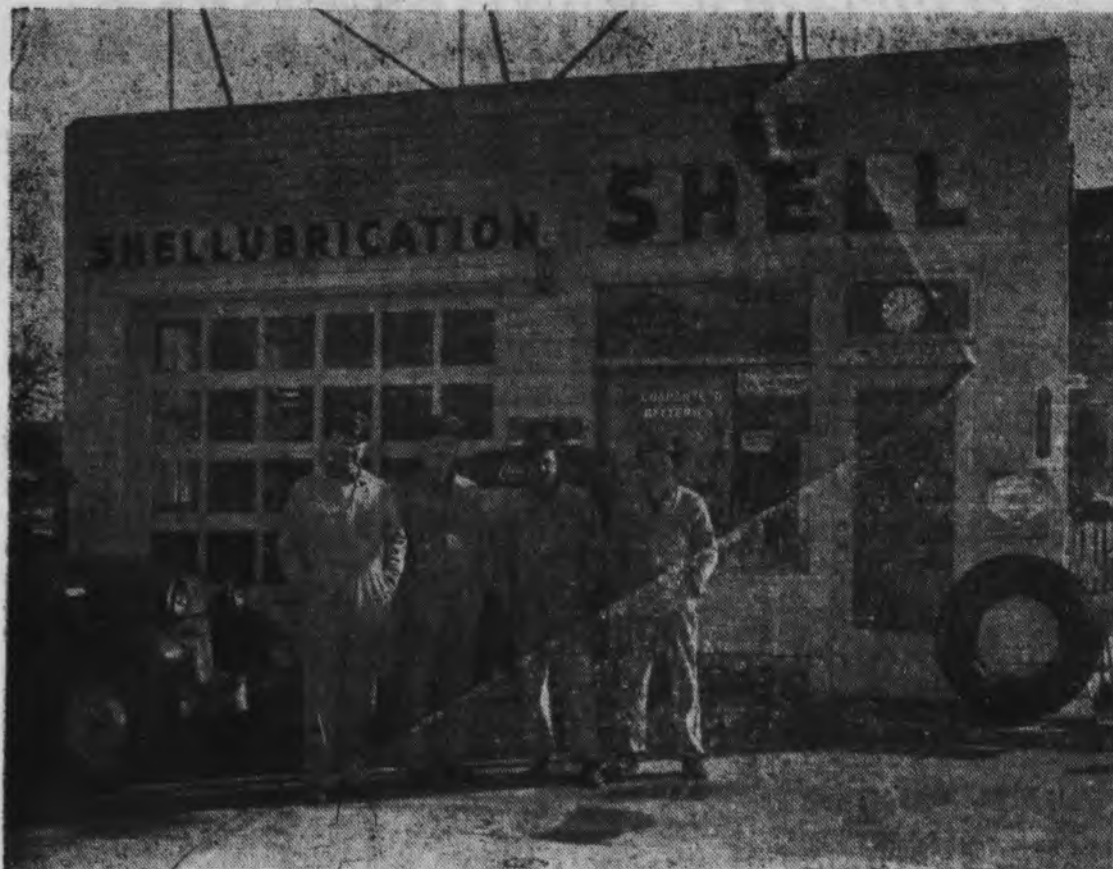
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The monthly meeting of the Church School Board will be held at the parsonage on Thursday at 8 p.m. Dr. Lobingier will be present

to report on his recent visit to the school.

The church will be open for prayer throughout the entire 24 hours of Friday, the World Day Prayer. At 8 p.m. the joint service for the women of all the churches will be held in the sanctuary of this church.

The Fireside Fellowship will meet at the parsonage on Saturday at 7 p.m. to go on a roller skating party

at the Hi-Hat.

The first of a series of Lenten sermons on "The Armor of Light" will be given at the service next Sunday morning at 11:00. Copies of "The Fellowship of Prayer" for daily Lenten devotions may be obtained at the church or on request from the pastor.

The West Branch will hold a desert meeting at the home of Mrs.

Harold Melzar on Tuesday the 24th at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Fred Parks of Somerville gives a Lenten lecture on Africa each Wednesday afternoon at 1:45 in the vestry.

The monthly meeting of the Couples' Club will be held in the vestry next Sunday night, Feb. 22nd, at 8:00. Mr. Harold Vinecour of Tewksbury, who is in wide demand as speaker throughout this area, will talk on the Orthodox Jewish Faith, from a layman's point of view.

SURPRISE SHOWER FOR MRS. FREDERICKS

A surprise baby shower was given to Mrs. Terry Fredericks, Saturday night.

The room was decorated in red and white, for Valentines Day, and the cake was decorated with pink roses, with a large stork in the middle.

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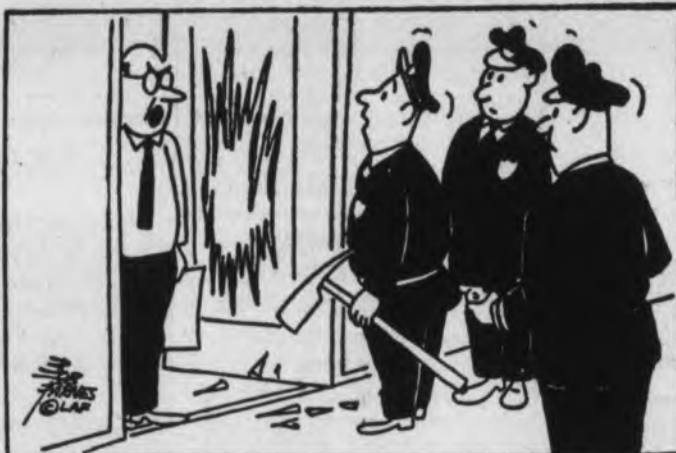
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